Pipeline for Supply of Gas to Ahmedabad Surat and Walia cities in Guarat

3501. SHRI HARIN PATHAK: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to provide pipeline for supply of gas to Ahmedabad, Surat and Walia cities in Gujarat; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI S. KRISHAN KUMAR) (a) and (b): Supply of gas to consumers in Surat through the Gujarat Gas Company commenced in September, 1991. In view of present availabiiity of gas, it has not been possible to allocate any gas for supply in Ahmedabad and Walia.

Chambal CAD Project Phase-II

3502. SHRI GIRDHARI LAL BHARGAVA: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether detailed scrutiny of the Chambal Command Area Development Project Phase-II has since been completed;

(b) if so, whether the project has been referred to the World Bank for financial assistance;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI VIDYACHARAN SHUKLA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c). Do not arise.

(d) The proposal for Chambal Command Area Development Project Phase II submitted by the State Government of Rajasthan was examined by the Ministry of Water Resources. The State Government has been advised to send a revised Project Report for clearance from Central Water Commission and for obtaining investment clearance from the Planning Commission. The Government of Rajasthan are in the process of finalising the revised project report.

Supply of Coal to Thermal Power Stations in Maharashtra

3503. DR. VASANT NiWRUTTI PAWAR: Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) the requirement of coal for the Thermal Power Stations in Maharashtra;

(b) whether the Union Government propose to draw up any action plan for the supply of coal in time to Thermal Power Stations, and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI S.B. NYAMAGOUDA): (a) According to generation targets agreed to between Central Electricity Authority (CEA) and Maharashtra State Electricity Board (MSEB), the requirement of coal by MSEB thermal power stations for the year 1991-92 works out to 20.162 million tonnes.

(b) and (c): Coal supplies to Power Stations are regularly monitored. Efforts are being made to step up despatches of coal to thermal power stations by increasing rail loading and ensuring maximum supply through other means like MGR, road, conveyor belt etc.